

AGENDA ITEM XI-B

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Division of Academic Affairs

FY 2000 - 2001

I. Program Review

During FY 2000-2001, the major priority of the Division of Academic Affairs is to continue to conduct the program review responsibility of the Board of Regents in an effective and efficient manner. This includes:

- ! the review of proposed new academic programs and administrative units at public colleges and universities (see Exhibit A for a list of pending actions)
- ! monitoring of low-completer programs, program collaboratives, and conditionally approved programs
- ! implementation of the new accreditation policies and procedures
- ! review of general education requirements of the Board of Regents to ensure appropriate articulation between K-12 and postsecondary educational institutions
- ! work with the Statewide Council of Chief Academic Officers to develop a new policy concerning degree designations in order to facilitate articulation of coursework between the LTC, two-year and 4-year colleges
- ! review of duplicated programs between campuses of the LTC and two and four-year institutions
- ! review proposed new and monitor status of conditionally approved programs authorized under the Desegregation Settlement Agreement
- ! implement the new electronic tracking system
- ! conduct a review of LUMCON by external reviewers

II. Distance Education Initiative

A second priority is to increase the impact of the Office of Information and Learning Technology on meeting the educational needs of students, faculty, and citizens of Louisiana.

This includes:

- ! work with the Louisiana Office of Telecommunications Management to expand bandwidth capacity via a high speed statewide network
- ! work with the Division of Administration on implementation of the Digital Government Initiative
- ! work with staff in the Division of Finance of the Board of Regents to develop a technology plan for colleges and universities
- ! work with the Electronic Learning Committee of the Council of Chief Academic Officers to develop a plan to meet statewide faculty training needs
- ! work with colleges and universities to expand and enhance the Board of Regents Electronic Campus

III. Teacher Education Initiative

The third priority is to enhance teacher education programs at our colleges and universities.

This includes:

- ! implementation of the 1990-2000 Blue Ribbon Commission recommendations which are the responsibility of the Board of Regents
- ! facilitate the work of the 2000-2001 Blue Ribbon Commission
- ! monitor the “at-risk” and “alternate certification” grants awarded through CITAL
- ! develop plans for the CITAL grant program for 2001-2002
- ! provide professional development opportunities for university faculty
- ! write grant proposals to state and federal agencies and private foundations to support teacher education initiatives
- ! work with two-year and four-year colleges to ensure coordination in teacher education course offerings
- ! work with BESE, the State Department of Education, colleges and universities, and the Louisiana Legislature concerning admission requirements to teacher education programs

IV. Other Initiatives

The Division of Academic Affairs is involved in a number of other initiatives, the most significant are to:

- ! monitor the installation of equipment and instrumentation for the process technology programs at Baton Rouge Community College, LTC-Sowela, and LTC-River Parishes
- ! facilitate access of Louisiana students to the Academic Common Market
- ! work with staff of the Louisiana Library Network to develop a long-range plan for replacing the software which operates the library management system for all four-year colleges
- ! work with staff of the Louisiana Library Network to enhance access of off-campus students to the library and information resources of the Louisiana Library Network
- ! move the pilot computerized statewide articulation database into full production